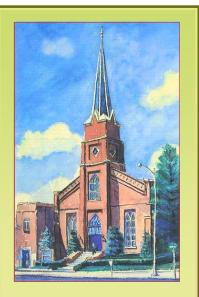
# Presbyterian Courier



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June-July-August

8:30 Breakfast 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship



The campfire hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by our Love" was written in 1968 by a pastor working on the South side of Chicago, Peter Scholtes. The

message of the hymn is an appropriate description of one of the primary ways we Presbyterians "do" evangelism. Our message of God's love is embedded in our expression of care for others. At the Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green we have many examples of this important quality of letting our actions speak for our beliefs. Many of us have understood the good sense behind the Edgar Guest poem: *I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day; I'd rather one should walk with me than merely tell the way...* 

By our many and various programs of outreach—through area agencies and through our own church programs, we try to show others the meaning of our faith; and what it means to belong to God and to one another.

People who make a careful study of such things are (nowadays) consistently telling us that in the computer age, where facts are easily available though a simple search, information is cheap; so that what matters is the integrity with which information is disseminated and used. It's not what you know, or who you know, it's how you apply knowledge. People can get information on their own, but they need help in discovering how to contribute to the common good. The Church, which identifies a part of its task as teaching, needs to take this seriously. The example of honesty and integrity has never been more important.

I hope that one of the stories we will begin to tell about ourselves in this church is the one about the Session, in 2010, determining that the 2011 budget had to balance. We did that, and are also (as you can see in the enclosed financial report) continuing to balance in 2012. This required both generosity and careful spending, efforts of which we can all be proud.

(See "Integrity" on page 7)

## From Our Associate Pastor

Summer has arrived and with it all the activities, vacations, and fun that for most people gives definition to this season. On June 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be revving up the excitement with the beginning of Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity. VBS is always an exciting time for the children. They laugh, they play, they learn, and hopefully they experience a little of God. The children truly enjoy this time that is out of the ordinary for them. It's also a great time for multiple generations to come together and enjoy the fellowship.

VBS is one of the few activities left in most people's lives where we can find the youngest of us to the oldest of us and everyone in between coming together for a common cause. When we think about our lives the church is one of the last places that holds and encourages interaction between generations who aren't related to one another. VBS is one of those moments that leaves an impression upon our children about what the church is, how the church works and who the church is.

No matter your level of participation in this years VBS I would ask that you pray for all the children and the volunteers. Pray that all of us may know what it means to be the church and to be an encouragement in our service to all who may come through the doors that week.



June 3rd—6th
We are hosting this year!



Please contact Kara Hildebrandt to volunteer.

#### **Books**

Think Orange: Imagine the Impact When Church and Family Collide by Reggie Joiner

UnChristian by David Kinnaman and Gabe Lyons

Jesus Freak: feeding, healing, raising the dead by Sara Miles

## The Arts

## Let us sing a new song

The Presbyterian Committee on Congregation Song was formed in 2008 for the purpose for producing a new hymnal. Essentially, the new hymnal, a result of that committee's laborious task, may be chosen by congregations to replace the blue PRES-BYTERIAN HYMNAL. New covers will be either red or purple.

Hymnody is alive and well in all denominations; older tunes may be matched to new



words, and new tunes may be matched to words that speak to the present world of Christians living. The Psalms will be a great part of the offerings, just as they are in the blue hymnal. As we are able this summer, the staff plans to share some of the tunes and texts to be discovered in that new source for congregational worship.

**ART EXHIBIT** Melanie Hildebrandt, mother of Rev. Kara Hildebrandt, is displaying her work in our gallery April 26 to June 8. She is joined by D. L. Zartner, a painter with a BFA from Montana State University, who is currently studying sculpting at Austin Peay State University. It is a privilege to offer space to artists at Gallery TPC and an important



ministry. To cobble together any word collage of the importance of visual arts, we might conclude with "Artists express manifestations of the silence within our hearts and touch the core of what cannot be expressed by the art of philosophy or logic." It is impossible to attribute this conclusion to any other than our gracious God. The church gallery is open Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4pm. **Don't miss the Gallery Hop and reception Friday, June 1, 5pm to 8pm.** 



## Habitat Fundraiser #2 Saturday, June 16

The Presbyterian Church is hosting a Paint-Out in down-town Bowling Green -- June 16th. Join the extravaganza as

artists take to the streets for "Paintin' the Town" -- en plein air!

Opening Reception and Auction: Saturday, June 16th, 5 - 8 pm At the reception, award winning works will be auctioned to the highest bidders. The public may bid in a silent auction for favorite works through July 5th.

Artists will contribute 40% of their sales to Habitat for Humanity.

For more information visit the Paint Out Website: <a href="http://www.tpcfundraiser.com/index.html">http://www.tpcfundraiser.com/index.html</a>

## **Youth News**

Wednesday Night Youth Fellowship is from 5:00—6:30pm. We typically go to Spencer's or somewhere nearby for a meal. This is for youth grades 8-12. During the summer we will not meet every Wednesday. Watch Facebook for updates.

Sunday Youth Group (grades 6-12) 6:00—8:00pm at the church. We have dinner together from 6-6:30pm the split into Junior & Senior High study groups. May 20<sup>th</sup> Youth Group was at Cumberland Trace Elementary School Playground. *Thanks to Bruce Kessler for grilling out* 

Youth Sunday School will not meet during the summer.

On Wednesday June 27 we'll go to Holiday World. Cost is \$20 per person for park admission. We'll leave at 8:00am from the church and should return by 10:30pm. Bring an additional \$20+ for food and souvenirs.

#### 2012 High School Mission Trip June 23-30 This sum-

mer's High School Mission Trip will be to Booneville, Arkansas in the Ozark Mountains. We'll join our fellow Western Kentucky Presbytery High School Youth in a week of service. The cost will be \$400 per person. We hope to reduce the cost to \$200 by fundraising. This trip will be for rising 9th graders—graduated seniors. Registration deadline with a \$60 deposit was January 9. There is now a waiting list since the registration deadline has passed.



for us.

An Additional High School Mission trip is also planned through the Presbytery, June 10-16. This trip will be in Birmingham, AL. The trip will be at a Presbyterian Disaster Assistance sight and will assist with cleanup/construction from tornado damage. Cost is \$145 with a deposit of \$70 due by April 15. This trip is for older youth and adults age 16 and up. There are still spots available even though the deadline has passed.

Montreat Summer Youth Conference will be July 14-21. Total Cost this year will be \$350 per person. Second deposits of \$100 are now due. The initial deposit is nonrefundable. Subsequent deposits were fully refundable until May 14. After May 14 (60 days out), Montreat will not make any refunds. Additional \$100 payments will be due May 1, June 1, & July 1. This year's theme is "Perfectly Imperfect". Montreat Sunday will be on August 12 in conjunction with the Pig Pickin'.

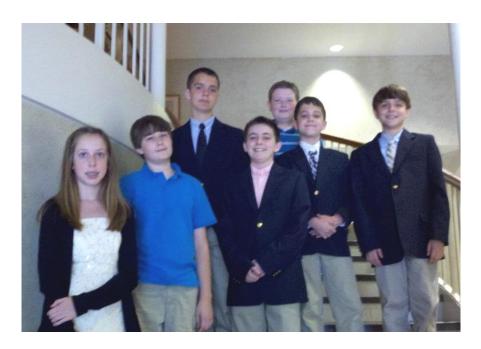
Kelly Wyrick was awarded the 2012 David Wedge Memorial Scholarship. This is the final year that the scholarship will be awarded. Thank you to Denny & Carol Wedge for supporting our students!



**City Sights/City Lights** will be in Owensboro this year July 25-27. Cost is \$40 for this Middle School Mission Experience. First Presbyterian Owensboro will be hosting and housing us.

**Youth Ministry Team** will not meet in June. The next meeting will be July 29 at 5:00pm prior to Youth Group.

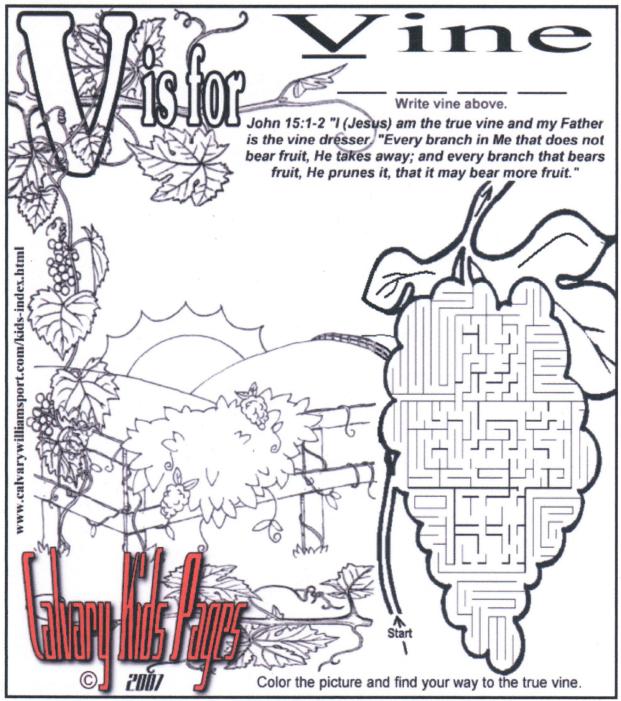
**Wednesday Mission Workdays begin June 6.** This annual mission project typically runs from 10:00am – 1:00pm during June. Our first stop will be cleaning the basement of the Little Rock Church on Boatlanding Road.



Youth Sunday on April 29 went very well! Everyone did an excellent job! We welcome Leigh Ballard, Ian White, Michael Spencer, Evan Kessler, Reese Polen, Matthew Spencer, & King Spencer, as fully confirmed members!

For more info on our Youth Ministry, contact David Muffett at <a href="mailto:david.muffett@bgpres.org">david.muffett@bgpres.org</a> or 270-202-2776.

## Kids' Page



Calvary Kids Pages www.calvarywilliamsport.com/kids-index



Be sure to join us for a
BIKE DECORATING PARTY
after the 10:00 am worship service
on Sunday, July 1st!

## Congregational Care & Fellowship

## **Congratulations are extended**

Trudy Burkeen would like to share the following information with the whole congregation:

My son, Grant is graduated on Saturday, May 12th from WKU with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Biology with a concentration in Pre-Medicine with a minor in Biophysics (Summa Cum Laude - 4.0GPA). He will be attending the University of Kentucky Medical School in August. He has worked very hard for this honor and our whole family are very proud of him.

Circle 3 will meet on Monday, June 4th at 11:00am at Village Manor (1800 Westen). This will be their last meeting before the summer hiatus.

## **Coffee Project Update**



Thanks to your involvement we and the Episcopal Church ordered about \$1200 worth of coffee, tea, and chocolate. Also, generous contributions were made which allowed us to ship 5 cases of coffee to our military chaplains in Afghanistan and Kuwait. Thanks from Missions and Peacemaking.

**THEOLOGY PUB** The college group will be meeting at 7:00pm on Thursdays for a Theology Pub (food, fellowship and discussions), led by Terry Shoemaker. The group now meets at Mellow Mushroom downtown at 7:00pm on Thursdays.

## **Integrity** (continued from page 1)

This is but one example of the kind of integrity the church must continue to show. The month of June takes its name from the Roman goddess Juno. June is the month for one of the great events of the year, our Vacation Bible School. This year we are going to Babylon with biblical Daniel, June 3-6. Please join us for a wonderful time.

And know you are loved, Matthew

## **Friends**

It may be hard to know the difference between typical age-related changes and the first signs of Alzheimer's disease. This is a list created by the Alzheimer's Association that will help you discern and perhaps consider a medical evaluation.



Memory changes that **disrupt** daily life
Challenges in planning or solving problems
Difficulty completing familiar tasks at home, at work or at leisure
Confusion with time or place
Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships
New problems with words in speaking or writing
Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps
Decreased or poor judgment
Withdrawal from social, family and work activities

I've been reading that one way to care for yourself if you are a caregiver is to adopt some Yoga practices. Some are more strenuous than others so maybe just the deep breathing, stretching, visualizing the placement of your heart and lungs while you stand quietly might be all you can do, but it might help.

Here is a good website for planning for your own future and the care you would like to have provided. This 5 Wishes document is really appropriate for any age adult to complete. It takes a lot of mystery out of what is going to happen "IF".

www.agingwithdignity.org/five-wishes.php

Changes in mood or personality.

#### Donna Hill

Board Member Presbyterian Homes and Services (just in case you wonder where I get all the information I come across)



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the following members and friends of this church who have recently lost loved ones:

Elizabeth Cates in the death of her mother, Mona Elizabeth Cates

Sheryl Goad in the death of her uncle, D. Billy Mitchell

Jayne Freeman in the death of her grandson, Ryan Boles

## **Church and Community**











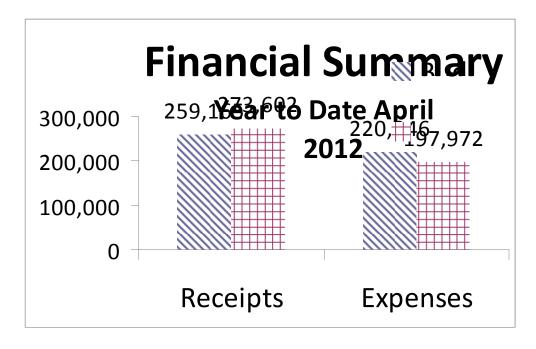
Except for Sunday mornings, the doors will ordinarily be magnetically locked during off hours. During regular office hours (Mon.-Fri. 8:30--4:30) the 10th Street doors will be open.

If you need to come into the church during off hours, you will need to obtain a new key from Richard.

Please be patient as we adjust to the new system.

## **Preschool Learning Center**

The PLC finished their year off with a fantastic Closing Celebration on May 20th. We sent off 14 three year olds and 19 four year olds. We will welcome back some of those 3's in the fall. We have had a great year! Registration is still underway and will continue through the summer. Contact <a href="mailto:plcdirector@insightbb.com">plcdirector@insightbb.com</a> for more information or call the church office. Thank you for all your support and prayers!



## Mission Fundraiser:

The dessert auction on April 29 yielded more than \$2800 toward our church's commitment to Habitat for Humanity. A big thanks to everyone who contributed! Who would have guessed a cake could sell for \$80?!

## **Property Committee files lengthy report**

The Property committee has filed a rather lengthy report this month—too long to print in its entirety in "The Presbyterian Courier". A summary of the report follows, and anyone wishing to read the complete report may request a copy from Gilbert Calhoun or from the church office.

The month of May 2012 has been extremely active for the Property Ministry. Major accomplishments to date are:

1. On 24 April 2012, Mr. Patrick Kennedy, Restoration Project Manager from the Kentucky Heritage Council in Frankfort, Kentucky, visited The Presbyterian Church to provide the Property Ministry with his assessment of the water/moisture problems in the church. Tom Moody coordinated the visit of Mr. Kennedy with the Ministry. Attending the meeting with Mr. Kennedy were Richard Barefoot, Joel Brown, Bob Hunt, and Gilbert Calhoun.

Following a brief overview of the history of the church building, the Property Ministry members conducted Mr. Kennedy on a walk-through of the church, pointing out the water/moisture damage to the interior walls of the building. In addition, the group examined the exterior of the building investigating the condition of the brick and mortar, and the roof. Mr. Kennedy took numerous photos and made notes on potential problem areas.

(Summary: Mr. Kennedy offered explanations as to the causes of the problems, including improper mortar material used in past repairs, condensation, roof leaks, faulty windows, loose flashings, inadequate drainage around the foundation, and rusting steel lintels.)

Mr. Kennedy recommended that the Property Ministry retain the services of an architectural conservator to do an evaluation and analysis of the building's problem areas. He suggested Mrs. Miranda Clements, a historic preservation planner in Bowling Green, or Mr. Scott Walters of the Kentucky Heritage Council for the name of an architectural conservator from Nashville, Tennessee. He, also, provided the Property Ministry with the name of Mr. Thomas McDowell to be a resource for the church. He stated a conservator with a background in 1800's masonry wall experience is essential.

2. Following Mr. Kennedy's visit to the church, the Committee contacted Mrs. Miranda Clements and Mr. Scott Walters for names of an architectural conservator. In addition, Kara Hildebrandt, Associate Pastor of the church, has suggested Mr. Baird Dixon, an award-winning architect of Street, Dixon, Rick, Architecture, PLC of Nashville, Tennessee, as a person to be considered. Mr. Dixon's company specializes in historic renovations of existing structures.

The company has performed renovation work at the First Presbyterian Church in Nashville, the First Presbyterian Church in Franklin, TN, the First Presbyterian Church in Hendersonville, TN, as well as other churches. On 7 May 2012, Gilbert Calhoun had a telephone conversation with Mr. Dixon and briefly outlined the water/moisture problems that the church is experiencing. Mr. Dixon accepted an invitation to visit the church to examine the church's physical problems, and said there would be no charge for his visit. Mr. Dixon is tentatively scheduled to visit the church on Wednesday, 6 June 2012 at 10:00 A.M.

- 3. Mr. Terry Hale, of Hale Roofing Company, visited the church on 9 April to inspect the building's roof for possible water damaged areas. Also, Mr. Russell Simpson of Simpson Brother Painting visited the building on 27 April to inspect the interior walls of the church for water/moisture damage as well as the buildings external windows that will require new caulking and painting. We expect estimates from both companies by the end of May 2012. However, no work on the interior can begin until we have located the source of the moisture/water problems.
- 4. Mr. Richard Barefoot, church administrator, has announced that effective Monday, 7 May 2012, the Tenth Street doors will be controlled by the Isonas Door Security System. He will soon be issuing Keys to selected members of the church who have need to be in the building outside normal working hours (see attachment).
- 5. The Memorials Committee has requested approval from the Properties Ministry the purchase of the following major items. They are:
- \* A new laptop computer required to record and telecast church services. The existing one has become inoperative and is beyond repair. The cost is \$499.97 and would be purchased with funds from the Mary Frances Willock memorial account.
- \* A Sony camera system, needed to complement the new laptop computer system, as mentioned above, will cost \$5,205.25. The camera system will be purchased from ISTT.
- \* A lighting control system recommended for the sanctuary consists of a wireless dimmer, controller, and base station. Included in the price is the installation and labor. Cost of the system is quoted at \$3,776.99 and will be purchased from Home Theater Solutions.

Funding for these items is available through the Memorials Committee's account and has been approved by the Property Ministry and the Finance Ministry.

Submitted by Gilbert T. Calhoun, Chairman of the Property Ministry.

## **Habitat Volunteers Work on the Durham House**



Twenty volunteers from our congregation joined forces May 19 to build the interior and exterior walls for Kenyatta and Jamarvin Durham's new home on Coombs Drive. This framing event was the first of our church's three commitments to Habitat for Humanity.

Kenyatta and Jamarvin Durham waited a year for work to begin

on their home. Now it was time. Volunteers acquired t-shirts, nail aprons, and hammers. Kenyatta and Jamarvin, armed with their own hammers and nail aprons, thanked everyone.

Loaded with nails and led by Habitat construction leaders, people began tentatively, careful not to bend nails or slam a thumb. Soon hammers were banging in staccato rhythms. By 1:00 the framed walls lay stacked on the warehouse floor, ready for transport to the construction site.

Asked how it felt to be building frames for their new home, Kenyatta said, "It hurts. My arm hurts, my shoulder hurts, my head hurts, and my back hurts. I can't wait to get home and shower." Her face glowed.

Herb Simmons and Jamarvin Durham discovered they knew each other from Warren Elementary where Jamarvin teaches fourth grade. "I stuck my head into his classroom to say hi every time I was out there." Of the morning's work, Herb said, "I really enjoyed that."

"My back gave out finally," said Joe McFarland, "but my hammer arm is still good."

"I'm surprised how good I feel today," said Liza Ahrendt Sunday morning. Near the coffee urns, Gary Ahrendt and Buzz English talked about how good they felt. That good feeling wasn't just about muscles and cartilage; it was also about camaraderie and doing something good for other people.

The next BUILD possibility might be June 23. Look for postings in the 60 sec. emails, Sunday bulletins, and Facebook. For more information contact Diane Simmons at <a href="mailto:dsimmonsbg1@mac.com">dsimmonsbg1@mac.com</a> or Doug Humphrey at douglashumphrey1@insightbb.com.

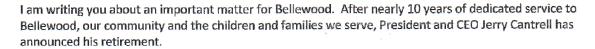
# Bellewood

# Caring for children and families in Kentucky since 1849

April 30, 2012

Mr. Thomas N. Moody 311 W. Cedar Street Franklin, Kentucky 42134-2127

Dear Mr. Moody,



Jerry assumed the helm at Bellewood during a challenging time in the organization's history. His commitment to vulnerable children, our Anchorage neighbors and our myriad supporters and donors across Kentucky helped Bellewood once again reach the level of performance, service and respect that makes us all extremely proud.

We are not saying goodbye, because we look forward to Jerry's continued involvement as a volunteer. But we do want to say thanks and let Jerry know how much we have appreciated his commitment to this organization.

A number of events will be held to properly recognize Jerry's work. I know that each of you will want to be part of wishing him well. We will keep you informed of these events through our website, <u>www.bellewood.org</u>.

Until his retirement on June 30, Jerry will focus his time and attention on ensuring that Bellewood maintains its strong relationship with key allies in our mission, including state and local leaders, donors, supporters and volunteers.

The Board of Directors has hired an executive leadership firm to help select Jerry's successor and the search is under way. During the interim, Brad Williamson, Bellewood Senior Vice President of Finance and Administration, will lead our daily operations.

This is a time of significant change for Bellewood, but we are blessed with a strong professional staff, an excellent board and dedicated volunteers and supporters. We are committed to continuing the level of excellence that has been our standard for more than 160 years.

We pray that you will continue to keep Bellewood – and the children and families that we serve – in your hearts.

Sincerely,

Reed A. Farley Chairman of the Board



## June Birthdays

June 2 Heather Murphy Linda Stewart June 3 Connie DeVries June 4 Virginia Clifford June 5 Timothy Mauldin June 6 Hope Richards June 7 Martha Sue Williams June 8 Ruben Flynn June 9 John Gramling June 10 Julie Barrick Bettye Brown June 12 Rett English

June 15 Lisa Evans June 16 Marie Mauldin JAK Njoku June 18 Lucy English June 19 Vivien Seidler June 20 Myra Dwyer Melissa Johnson June 22 Nancy Carwell June 23 **Brian Gramling** Nancy Moore June 24

June 27
James Skaggs
Emily Ann Webb
June 29
Liza Ahrendt
Franklin Berry
Ann Lewis
Nate Stein
Margaret Watkins
June 30
Laura Mullins



June 25
Sue Bryant
Ashley Christopher
Marleen Flynn
Connor Moore
June 26
Adam Watson

Grant Burkeen

**Doris Yelton** 

June 14

Beulah Hunt

Patti Mauldin

## June Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June					10:30am Morning Prayer 5:00pm Gallery Hop	9:00am VBS decorating 10:00am VBS training
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#### **June 2012**



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